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	A. REGISTRANT IDENTIFIC	ATION		
NAME OF BROKER-DEALER:			CIAL USE ONI	
SEEGAL BENSON LEUCADIA SECURITIES, LLC			FIRM ID. NO.	
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL PLA	ACE OF BUSINESS: (Do not use P. (	O. Box No.)		
315 PARK AVENUE SOUTH -	- 11 <sup>TH</sup> FLOOR			
NEW YORK,	NEW YORK	1	0010-3607	
(City) NAME AND TELEPHONE NUM	(State) MBER OF PERSON TO CONTACT	IN REGARD TO T	Zip Code) HIS REPORT	
FREDRIC OBSBAUM		(212) 897 - 1694		
		(Area Code – Telep	ohone No.)	
	B. ACCOUNTANT IDENTIFIC	ATION		
INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCO LERNER & SIPKIN, CPAs, LLI	UNTANT whose opinion is containe	d in this Report*		
32 Nassau Street, Suite 1023	New York	NY	10038	
X Certified Public	Accountant			
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#### OATH OR AFFIRMATION

I, FRED SEEGAL, swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying financial statement and supporting schedules pertaining to the firm of SEEGAL BENSON LEUCADIA SECURITIES, LLC, as of DECEMBER 31, 2008, are true and correct. I further swear (or affirm) that neither the company nor any partner, proprietor, member, principal officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer, except as follows:

		NONE	
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This report\*\* contains (check all applicable boxes):

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- (x) (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- (x) (c) Statement of Operations.
- (x) (d) Statement of Cash Flows.
- (x) (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholders' Equity or Partners' or Sole Proprietor's Capital.
- (x) (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of Creditors.
- (x) (g) Computation of Net Capital.
- ( ) (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3.

Notary Public, State of New York
No. 015E4719645
Qualified in Queens County

- ( ) (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control requirements under rule 15c3-3.
- ( ) (j ) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanation, of the Computation of Net Capital Under Rule 15c3-1 and the Computation for Determination of the reserve requirements Under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3.
- ( ) (k ) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statements of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation.
- (x) (1) An Oath or Affirmation.
- ( ) (m) A copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report.
- ( ) (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit.
- (x) (o) Independent Auditors' Report.
- \*\* For conditions of confidential treatment of certain portions of this filing, see section 240.17a-5(e)(3).

I, FRED SEEGAL, swear that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying financial statements and supporting schedule(s) pertaining to the Firm of SEEGAL BENSON LEUCADIA SECURITIES, LLC, as of DECEMBER 31, 2008, are true and correct. I further swear that neither the Company nor any partner, proprietor, principal officer, director or member has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of customer, except as follows:

No Exceptions

(Signature)

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(Title)

(Notary Public)

HARRIETT SELTZER
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 01SE4719845
Qualified in Queens County
Commission Expires Oct. 31, 20 / 0

## SEEGAL BENSON LEUCADIA SECURITIES, LLC

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION DECEMBER 31, 2008

#### **ASSETS**

Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 218,380
Due from affiliated Company (Note 3)	696,862
Other assets	1,033
Total assets	\$ 916,275
LIABILITIES AND MEMBERS' CAPITAL	
Liabilities:	
Deferred income	25,000
Total liabilities	25,000
Capital (Note 4)	891,275
Total liabilities and capital	\$ 916,275

#### SEEGAL BENSON LEUCADIA SECURITIES, LLC

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2008

#### Note 1- Nature of Business

Seegal Benson Leucadia Securities, LLC (The "Company"), a Limited Liability Company, is a broker/dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority. The Company earns advisory fees in connection with mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, recapitalizations, and financial restructurings.

The Company operates under the provisions of Paragraph (k) (2) (i) of Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission and accordingly, is exempt from the remaining provisions of that rule.

#### Note 2- Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

#### a) Revenue Recognition

The Company recognizes revenue from advisory fees over the life of the underlying agreement, at the time work is performed and services are rendered.

#### b) Cash and Cash Equivalents

The Company considers money market funds to be cash. The Company maintains cash in bank accounts which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any losses in such accounts and does not believe it is exposed to any significant credit risk on cash and cash equivalents. For money market funds, no insurance is provided.

#### c) Income Taxes

Income taxes are not payable by, or provided for, the Company, since the Company is a Single Member Limited Liability Company.

#### d) Use of Estimates

Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses.

#### Note 3- Related Parties

The Company entered into an expense sharing agreement with its parent and with a company through common ownership (collectively the affiliates). The agreement calls for the affiliates to provide or pay for office space, communications, accounting, professional, and other general and administrative services. The Company is not obligated nor required to reimburse the affiliates for these services, and has not done so during the year.

The Company, as of December 31, 2008, has a receivable of \$696,862 from the affiliate through common ownership.

## SEEGAL BENSON LEUCADIA SECURITIES, LLC

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS DECEMBER 31, 2008

### Note 4- Net Capital Requirement

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires the maintenance of minimum net capital and requires that the ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital, both as defined, shall not exceed 800%. At December 31, 2008, the Company's net capital of \$193,380 was \$188,380 in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000.



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Seegal Benson Leucadia Securities, LLC 315 Park Avenue South – 11<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, N.Y. 10010

We have audited the accompanying statement of financial condition of Seegal Benson Leucadia Securities, LLC as of December 31, 2008. This financial statement is the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the statement of financial condition based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement of financial condition is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement of financial condition. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall statement of financial condition presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the statement of financial condition referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Seegal Benson Leucadia Securities, LLC as of December 31, 2008, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Lerner & Sipkin, CPAs, LLP

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Certified Public Accountants (NY)

New York, NY February 23, 2009

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# SEEGAL BENSON LEUCADIA SECURITIES, LLC STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

**DECEMBER 31, 2008** 

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# SEEGAL BENSON LEUCADIA SECURITIES, LLC INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL ACCOUNTING CONTROL

**DECEMBER 31, 2008** 



132 Nassau Street, New York, NY 10038 Tel 212.571.0064 / Fax 212.571.0074 E-mail: LS@lernersipkin.com

To the Members of Seegal Benson Leucadia Securities, LLC 315 Park Avenue South – 11<sup>th</sup> Floor New York, NY 10010

#### Gentlemen:

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Seegal Benson Leucadia Securities, LLC as of and for the year ended December 31, 2008, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered its internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion of the financial statements but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5 (g) (1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including consideration of control activities for safeguarding securities. This study included tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5 (g), in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under Rule 17a-3 (a) (11); and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons, and recordation of differences required by rule 17a-13
- 2. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the Commission's above mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control and the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first and second paragraphs and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control and control activities for safeguarding securities that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures, as described in the second paragraph of this report, were adequate at December 31, 2008, to meet the SEC's objectives. Further, that no material differences existed between our computations of your net capital, or determination of the reserve requirements, and your corresponding FOCUS Report Part IIA filing.

Further, that no material differences existed between our computations of your net capital, or determination of the reserve requirements, and your corresponding FOCUS Report Part IIA filing.

This report recognizes that it is not practicable in an organization the size of Seegal Benson Leucadia Securities, LLC to achieve all the divisions of duties and cross checks generally included in a system of internal accounting control and that alternatively greater reliance must be placed on surveillance by management.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, Management, the SEC, FINRA and other regulatory agencies, that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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New York, NY February 23, 2009